

SPECIAL NOTICE

TO: All Mortgage Lenders, realtors, appraisers and Real Estate Insurers

FROM: City of Gulfport, Gary Anderson, Deputy Building Official and Community Rating System Coordinator

DATE: April 22, 2010

SUBJECT: FIRM Information

The City of Gulfport participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). As you are aware, the NFIP provides federally backed flood insurance that encourages communities to enact and enforce flood plain regulations. Since its inception in 1968, the program has been very successful in helping flood victims get back on their feet. In order to assist you, the City of Gulfport will provide information concerning properties located in special flood hazard areas and the Advisory Base Flood Elevations in the city. Upon request, the following Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Floodway information will be provided:

- The community number

- The map panel number and suffix

- The date of the FIRM's index (cover panel)

- The base flood elevation (the depth in AO zones) where shown on the FIRM and FLOODWAY, if other than NGVD

- The availability of elevation certificates for review is located in the Building Code Services office

If the property is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), you will also be informed of the flood insurance purchase requirement. In order to receive accurate information, please be prepared to provide us with the ad valorem tax parcel number and street address or other legal descriptions of the property when making the request. To request this free information, you may contact the Building Code Services office, Hardy Building, 1410 24th Avenue, Gulfport, MS, by phone at 228-868-5790, fax 228-214-4487, or by email at bcgs@gulfport-ms.gov.